CLAIMS

- 1. (CANCELLED)
- 2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The article of Claim 4 <u>5</u>, wherein said top sheet comprises a material selected from the group consisting of porous foams, apertured films, natural fibers and plastic synthetic fibers.
- 3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The article of Claim 4 <u>5</u>, wherein said back sheet comprises a film selected from the group consisting of extruded polyethylene and extruded polypropylene.
- 4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The article of Claim 4 <u>5</u>, wherein said super absorbent polymer is a cross-linked sodium polyacrylate.
- 5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A disposable absorbent article comprising:

a liquid permeable top sheet;

a liquid impermeable back sheet; and

an absorbent layer disposed between said top sheet and said back sheet and comprising super absorbent polymer granules directly adhered to said back sheet by an adhesive,

The article of Claim 1, wherein said super absorbent polymer is an acidic super absorbent polymer.

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The article of Claim 4 <u>5</u>, wherein said adhesive is selected from the group consisting of organic adhesives, vegetable adhesives and synthetic adhesives.

- 7. (ORIGINAL) The article of Claim 6, wherein said synthetic adhesives are selected from the group consisting of thermo-setting adhesives, thermoplastic resins and elastomeric adhesives.
- 8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The article of Claim 4 <u>5</u>, wherein the article has a thickness of between about 0.015 and 0.025 inches.
 - 9. (CANCELLED)
- 10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The roll of Claim 9 13, wherein said top sheet comprises a material selected from the group consisting of porous foams, apertured films, natural fibers and plastic synthetic fibers.
- 11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The roll of Claim 9 13, wherein said back sheet comprises a film selected from the group consisting of extruded polyethylene and extruded polypropylene.
- 12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The roll of Claim 9 13, wherein said super absorbent polymer is a cross-linked sodium polyacrylate.
- 13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A packaged roll of disposable articles comprising a plurality of absorbent pads, selectively separable from one another, each said pad including a liquid-permeable top sheet, a liquid-impermeable back sheet, and an absorbent layer disposed therebetween and defined solely by super absorbent polymer granules directly adhered to said back sheet,

The roll of Claim 9, wherein said super absorbent polymer is an acidic super absorbent polymer.

- 14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The roll of Claim 9 13, wherein said adhesive is selected from the group consisting of organic adhesives, vegetable adhesives and synthetic adhesives.
 - 15. (PREVIOUSLY CANCELLED)
- 16. (ORIGINAL) The roll of Claim 14, wherein said synthetic adhesives are selected from the group consisting of thermo-setting adhesives, thermoplastic resins and elastomeric adhesives.
- 17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The roll of Claim 9 13, wherein said pads each have a plurality of edges wherein at least one of said edges of each of said pads is defined by a transverse score line located at said edge are selectively separable from one another along a transverse score line along which said pads are selectively separable from one another at a pre-designated location.
- 18. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The roll of Claim 9 13, wherein each pad has a thickness of between about 0.015 and 0.025 inches.
- 19. (NEW) An absorbent pad for use in absorbing excreted fluids comprising:

two sheets, a top sheet and a bottom sheet wherein said top sheet is liquid permeable and wherein said bottom sheet is liquid impermeable; and an absorbent layer comprising a super absorbent polymer directly adhered to said bottom sheet by an adhesive and disposed between said sheets, wherein said super absorbent polymer is acidic, and

wherein said liquid impermeable bottom sheet incorporates a bonding agent for attaching said pad to a surface and preventing said pad from being removed from said surface.

- 20. (NEW) The pad of Claim 19, further comprising an odor control agent.
 - 21. (NEW) The pad of Claim 19, further comprising an attractant.
- 22. (NEW) The pad of Claim 21, wherein said attractant comprises musk or xylene.
 - 23. (NEW) The pad of Claim 19, further comprising a fragrance.
- 24. (NEW) The pad of Claim 19, wherein said top sheet comprises a material selected from the group consisting of porous foams, apertured films, natural fibers and plastic synthetic fibers.
- 25. (NEW) The pad of Claim 19, wherein said bottom sheet comprises a film selected from the group consisting of extruded polyethylene and extruded polypropylene.
- 26. (NEW) The pad of Claim 19, wherein said super absorbent polymer is a cross-linked sodium polyacrylate.
- 27. (NEW) The pad of Claim 19, wherein said pad is attached to one or more other pads by at least one perforated edge, wherein said attached pads together form a set.
 - 28. (NEW) The set of Claim 27, wherein said set is formed into a roll.